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AMENDMENT

In response to the nonfinal rejection mailed May 19, 2004, please amend application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the complete listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 10.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this Amendment is being transmitted via facsimile to (703) 872-9306 on August 19, 2004.

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the side walls and the base in a direction perpendicular to an axis about which the side wall pivots relative to the base," as recited by claim 1. Therefore, claim 1 is not anticipated.

Mouri does not disclose a latch receiver and latch striker with "mating beveled surfaces," as recited in claims 4 and 27. The arms 308b in Mouri Figure 10 are not "a receiving area defined by a plurality of beveled surfaces," as claimed.

Claims 5 and 15 recite "a concave support surface for supporting the second upper hinge portion." The Examiner presumably calls the connection wall 204b the "second upper hinge portion," but there is no concave support surface below it. Therefore, claim 5 is not anticipated by Mouri.

CONCLUSION

Please charge \$90 to Deposit Account No. 50-1984 for five additional claims in excess of twenty. If any additional fees or extensions are due, please charge all fees to deposit account no. 50-1984.

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